

Claims

1. A telecommunications terminal block (10, 110, 210) including:

- at least one contact module including a front side (12) and a rear side, an upper side (18) and a lower side (20), a first side (14) and a second side (16) opposite the first side (14), as well as at least one row of contacts (32) extending between the first side (14) and the second side (16) which are exposed at the front side (12) , and
- at least two arrays each comprising at least two wire guides (30, 50) arranged at the upper side (18) and/or lower side (20) of the contact module, which lead cable contactors terminated at the contact (32) from the front side (12) to the first side (14) or the second side (16), the wire guides (30, 50) of each array each leading to a single side (14, 16),
- whereby at least two of the arrays adjoin each other and at least one row of contacts and are assigned to said row of contacts, and
- whereby the wire guides (30) of the each such array lead to opposite sides.

2. The terminal block as set forth in claim 1, having wire guides that are closed wire routing troughs (30).

3. The terminal block as set forth in claims 1 or 2, having wire guides (50) that are substantially hook-shaped.

4. The terminal block as set forth in any of the preceding claims, further comprising a housing (54, 254), whereby each at least one contact module and its wire guides (30, 50) are integrated into the housing.

5. The terminal block as set forth in any of the preceding claims, having a first array of wire guides provided at the lower side (20) or the upper side (16), a second array of wire

guides provided at the upper side (16) or the lower side (20) opposite the first array of wire guides and a third array of wire guides provided at the lower side (20) or the upper side (16), which lead to the same side as the wire guide of the array of wire guides located opposite the third array of wire guides.

6. The terminal block as set forth in claim 5, wherein all wire guides of that side, on which the third array of wire guides is provided, are closed wire routing troughs (30), and the wire guides (50) of the opposite side are substantially hooked-shaped.

7. The terminal block as set forth in any of claims 1 to 5, wherein the wire guides (30) of all arrays are closed wire routing troughs.

8. The terminal block as set forth in any of the preceding claims further comprising at least one splitter module.

9. A wire distributor, more particularly telecommunications main distributor, including at least one terminal block (10, 110, 210) as set forth in any of the preceding claims.

10. The wire distributor as set forth in claim 9, characterized by it including a plurality of terminal blocks (10, 110, 210) stacked or adjacent to each other, whereby between any two contact modules, there are provided more arrays of wire guides (30, 50) than there are rows of contacts within the contact modules.